



# Grounded

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## Grounded in God's Word

It's a wonder, really. Here in the US in 2022, we have access to the Bible everywhere. It's readily accessible. We have multiple copies in our homes. We have it on our phones and on our tablets. But do we treasure it? And have we spent time getting to really know God through its pages?

The truth is, I've sometimes been guilty of making my Bible study about me. What's here for me? What's going to make me feel better? I want a quick fix to the needs of my heart and approach the Word of God like a vending machine. Or I can be like the gullible women in 2 Timothy 3:6-7, always learning and able to spout information about Christ, but not truly knowing Him and being grounded in the Word. Do you relate? We can't love Jesus and ignore His Word, sisters.

In God's mercy and grace, He gave us His Word in written form. He's told us who He is. And through His Word, He longs for us to know Him, to love Him, and to be grounded in Him. It's only then that we will stand firm when the strong winds blow.

Ponder the words in Psalm 19:

"The law of the LORD is perfect,  
reviving the soul;  
the testimony of the LORD is sure,  
making wise the simple;  
the precepts of the LORD are right,  
rejoicing the heart;  
The commandment of  
the LORD is pure,  
enlightening the eyes;  
the fear of the LORD is clean,  
enduring forever;  
the rules of the LORD are true,  
and righteous altogether.  
More to be desired are they than  
gold, even much fine gold;  
sweeter also than honey and drip-  
pings of the honeycomb.  
Moreover, by them is your servant  
warned; in keeping them there is  
great reward."

Psalm 19:7-11

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**"When everything  
around us seems to be  
shaking, God's Word is  
a firm, unshakable  
foundation."**

~ Nancy DeMoss Wolgemuth

Did you catch that? God's words revive our soul and rejoice our heart; they're more desirable than gold and sweeter than honey. David even goes on to call them "great reward."

It's through the Word that God that He shapes our hearts and minds. It's through the Word that He shows us who He is and fans our affections for Him.

God's Word is our foundation that cannot be shaken. It's real and alive and active. Don't believe the lie that it's not relevant; don't attempt to convince yourself that it's not all that important. God speaks to us through His Word; He challenges, convicts, instructs, and teaches us. May we read and prioritize it, treasure and apply it. love it and live it, for when we commit to knowing God through His Word, we're able to stand firm, grow, and bear fruit in every season.

"Your words were found, and I ate them, and your words became to me a joy and the delight of my heart, for I am called by your name,  
O LORD, God of hosts."  
Jeremiah 15:16

~ Nikki MacDonald

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## Hey, Sister!

Over the course of this next year, we're going to pray scripture together and ground ourselves in the truth of God's Word. As we do so, take encouragement knowing that a woman of our prayer team is praying specifically for you! And we encourage you to join us and pray these same scriptures over your loved ones. When we pray scripture, we know we're in keeping with the will of God!



If you're interested in being part of our prayer team, praying for a small group of women each month from your home, please contact Nikki MacDonald at [nikki.m@e-free-family.com](mailto:nikki.m@e-free-family.com)

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Are you a mama of preschoolers or know of one? Join us for MOPS! These gatherings are a sweet time

of encouragement for young moms. Our heart and desire is that you will meet with Jesus and grow in relationship with Him and one another; that you'll be refreshed and better equipped to serve your families.

The final two gatherings until fall will be held on May 10 and May 24 at 9:30am in North Fellowship Hall.

**Your decrees are very trustworthy; holiness befits your house, O LORD, forevermore.**  
Psalm 93:5

## Personalize & Pray These Scriptures

### Psalm 119:10-16

With my whole heart I seek you; let me not wander from your commandments! I have stored up your word in my heart, that I might not sin against you. Blessed are you, O LORD; teach me your statutes! With my lips I declare all the rule of your mouth. In the way of your testimonies I delight as much as in all riches. I will meditate on your precepts and fix my eyes on your ways. I will delight in your statutes; I will not forget your word.

### Psalm 119:33-34

Teach me, O LORD, the way of your statutes; and I will keep it to the end. Give me understanding, that I may keep your law and observe it with my whole heart.

### Psalm 119:105

Your word is a lamp to my feet and a light to my path.

### John 15:15-17

I do not ask that you take them out of the world, but that you keep them from the evil one. They are not of the world, just as I am not of the world. Sanctify them in the truth; your word is truth..

### 2 Timothy 3:16

All Scripture is breathed out by God and profitable for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness,

## A Prayer & Heart Response for May

Father, I want to know You, not just about You. Please give me a hunger and thirst for Your Word, for it's there that I get to know You, Your character, and Your ways. It's there that I rightfully see You, the world, and myself. Teach me, God. Quiet my heart and help me simply sit at Your feet. I don't want to be a mere hearer of Your Word. I want the truth of Your Word to fall on fertile ground. I long for it to take root in my life and grow and bear fruit that lasts.

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